

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PARKS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING SUMMARY**

Council Conference Room  
15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, Washington

Monday, August 1, 2016

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**Council:**

Angela Birney, Chair (*not in attendance*)  
Kim Allen, Member  
Hank Myers, Member  
Byron Shutz (*Attending Council Member*)  
John Stilin (*Attending Council Member*)  
Hank Margeson (*Attending Council Member*)

**Staff:**

Alaric Bien, Senior Planner  
Carolyn Hope, Parks Planning and Cultural Arts  
Administrator  
Ryan Spencer, Recreation Program Administrator  
B Sanders, Senior Planner  
Jessica Rubenacker, Cultural Arts Administrator  
Kent Hay, Program Coordinator  
Megan Worzella, Program Coordinator  
Dave Tucheck, Parks Maintenance and Operations  
Manager  
Cheryl Xanthos, Deputy City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:40 p.m.

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Acting Committee Chair Kim Allen called the meeting to order, reviewed attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

**Introduction of City's Outreach Specialist**

Mr. Alaric Bien, Senior Planner, introduced Mr. Kent Hay as the City's new Outreach Specialist. Mr. Hay has worked in social services and criminal justice for 16 years, and worked as a probation counselor for the last eight years. Mr. Hay has been working with Redmond Police Officer Sowers and key partners in the eastside.

Mr. Hay stated that his goals are to:

- make contact and provide help to the homeless in the area;
- create structure;
- build a program and resource center;
- hold office hours at the library;
- active case management; and
- work with community partners.

General discussion ensued regarding office hours; working with the Together Center; creating a resource center; and providing a staff report at a Council meeting.

## **Fall Food Drive**

Mr. Bien stated that the food drive is scheduled for September 17-18<sup>th</sup>. The Council Members are invited to participate as in previous years. Councilmember Birney, as Chair of the Parks and Human Services Committee, will be the Council liaison.

General discussion ensued regarding the Mayor's Month of Caring; Human Services Commission participation; and labeling and stocking up on the needed items.

## **All In All Home Campaign Ideas**

Mr. Bien stated that the All In All Home website was launched the day before Derby Days; Mr. Hay will be featured in the City's newsletter to discuss the homeless outreach program; information on how families can get involved to address homelessness will be provided; and ideas for messaging out on homelessness will be provided during various events throughout the year.

General discussion ensued regarding not holding an event at a brewery.

## **Derby Days Recap**

Ms. Megan Worzella, Program Coordinator, provided a recap of Derby Days:

- good attendance and weather;
- electronic surveys were used for vendors, volunteers, and City staff attendees;
- the 5k was moved to Friday night;
- five microbreweries from Redmond participated;
- same number of volunteers and hours as last year;
- highest carnival revenue;
- will bring back kids bike decorating on the morning of the parade next year;
- partnership with Nintendo;
- Derby Do-gooder recognized a student from Redmond High School;
- activities at vendor booths;
- strong sponsorships;
- bike criterium entries were lower due to the weather forecast;
- additional prize money for the female racers was secured; and
- free activities were provided.

General discussion ensued regarding vendors being more visible; more of a citywide event in the future; holding a BMX event to attract a younger crowd; bicycle poker run; and the art festival at the Redmond Town Center.

## **ActiveNet Demo**

Mr. Ryan Spencer, Recreation Program Administrator, stated that:

- The new registration software went live on March 11, 2016.
- The spring/summer registration started on March 15, 2016, which is the busiest registration day of the year.

- Revenues increased 20 percent over the previous year.
- Many of the pavilions and park shelters can be booked online.
- Instructors have online access to their class information.
- The software is searchable through the Redmond City webpage.

**Park Operations Projects Update: Hartman Large Batting Cage Renovation, Grass Lawn Soft Surfacing Replacement (Boulders and Swings), Hartman Fields 5&6 Fence and Pathway Replacement**

Mr. Dave Tucheck, Parks Maintenance and Operations Manager, provided an update on parks projects:

- Hartman Large Batting Cage Renovation
  - 15 year-old facility;
  - posts are bending and artificial turf is wearing out;
  - redesigned and expanded;
  - will have sand instead of rubber crumb;
- Grass Lawn Soft Surfacing Replacement (Boulders and Swings)
  - starting to fall apart;
  - some repairs have been done;
  - options include artificial turf or a rubber surface;
- Hartman Fields 5 and 6 Fence and Pathway Replacement
  - gets a lot of use and vandalism;
  - fireworks have caused damage; and
  - fence height is currently four feet tall, and is proposed to be replaced by a six or eight foot fence.

General discussion ensued throughout regarding completion date; crumb rubber; and security lights.

**Public Affairs Consulting Contract for Recreation Facilities Planning**

Ms. Carolyn Hope, Parks Planning and Cultural Arts Administrator, stated that the contract with Enviroissues will go to the full Council for approval. Enviroissues will act as a third-party facilitator to help provide education and engagement with the public regarding the possibility of building or renovating a property to create recreation facilities in the City. The stakeholders group will be finalized in the next month and potential partners are being approached. An awareness campaign will continue for approximately six weeks. A recommendation will be made to the Council on whether to move forward with a facility or not.

General discussion ensued regarding the selection and impartiality of the contractor.

## **Downtown Park Pavilion**

Ms. Jessica Rubenacker, Cultural Arts Administrator, provided an update on the Downtown Park Pavilion:

- notched rods on the pavilion will become a water wall;
- digital artists can program projections;
- white light glow below the stage provides illumination on the ramp;
- programmable LED lights may be used by the public;
- terrazzo flooring with local stones;
- maintenance room;
- shrubs behind pavilion; and
- DigiPen will provide recommendations on what digital projections that will work best.

General discussion ensued regarding programming of the water wall; anti-graffiti coating; reflective properties; splash pad location and safety; and up-lighting.